



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

**To the Ambassadors
Permanent Representatives of the Member States
to the European Union**
(by electronic mail)

Brussels, 24 June 2020

Dear colleagues,

A call for tenders has been launched by the European External Action Service for the provision of Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT) for the EU staff deployed to high-risk regions.

The tender has been launched in an open procedure to attract public bodies and private entities in the 27 EU Member States specialised in the matter.

I am aware of the excellent quality of many entities in your Member States providing this type of training. I would be grateful if you could share this tender procedure amongst providers that comply with the selection criteria. It is our aim to receive by the deadline of 23 July proposals of the highest quality. A framework contract in cascade will be signed with the three contractors offering the best value for money.

The Contract Notice¹ is published in the Tenders Electronic Daily (TED) of the 'Supplement to the Official Journal' of the EU and the Tender Specifications are available on the TED eTendering site².

Kind regards,



Helga Maria Schmid

¹ Contract notice: TED ref: **2020/S 112-270772 of 11/06/2020** <https://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:270772-2020:HTML:EN:HTML&tabId=1&tabLang=en>

² <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=5853>